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Amery Waits And Watches Developments

No Prospects Of Negotiations To End Indian Deadlock

LONDON, May 6.

Mr. Amery was asked in the House of Commons today, if in view of the recent events in India, he would take an opportunity of endeavouring to bring all parties there into negotiations with His Majesty's Government.

Mr. Amery replied "I regret to say, there have not been any recent developments that would hold out a prospect of such negotiations leading to any fruitful results."

Asked if in view of the gravity of the issues involved, the time had not been reached when the Government of India might take a more constructive line, Mr. Amery replied: "I am considering these problems all the time."

CORRESPONDENCE WITH NEHRU

Mr. Amery was asked, if Pandit Nehru had been trasferred from India or completely isolated from other Congress leaders.

He replied: "Pandit Nehru is under detention in India and is in the company of other members of the Congress Working Committee. He is permitted to correspond with members of his family on domestic matters."

Asked if members of the House of Commons could also communicate with Pandit Nehru, Mr. Amery amid laughter replied: "On domestic matters if they are members of the family."

Pressed to say if Members of Parliament could communicate with Pandit Nehru if they supplied Mr. Amery with a copy of the letters, Mr. Amery replied: "That is a matter for the Government of India."

Labourite, Mr Sorensen, asked if Mr. Amery had received a copy of the letter of resignation, "prepared by the Governor for the signature of Mr Fazlul Huq," the former Premier of Bengal and whether he had considered protests from the Progressive Coalition Party of Bengal against Mr. Huq's enforced resignation.

Mr. Amery said that he had not received any copy of the letter of resignation and had nothing to add to the reply made last month.

Asked if it was not true that a certain amount of pressure was exerted, Mr Amery replied, "It was not a question of being required to resign. In any case, the matter is one to be dealt with the Parliament of Bengal."

Labourite, Mr. Sloan asked if the Government of India intended to pass a Land Restriction Bill against White emigrants from South Africa similar to that against Indians now before the South African Parliament.

Mr. Amery said: 'I understand that a private Members' Bill was introduced some time ago which if enacted would give the Government of India powers of the kind indicated in the question. But I am not aware of the present position of the Bill, nor of the attitude of the Government of India in regard to this particular measure.'

Mr Sloan asked: "Will Mr. Amery take steps to speed up that measure, in view of the legislation and regulations which are being passed against Indians in South Africa."

Mr. Amery:—"I am afraid, it is not my duty to speed up Bills in another Parliament."

Mr. Sorensen:—"Has Mr Amery any further information about legislation re pecting Indians in South Africa."

Mr. Amery replied: "None that has not appeared publicly."—Reuter.

London Speculations

BRITISH MINISTER AS VICEROY?

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, May 6.

According to the Parliamentary Correspondent of the "Times", no decision has yet been reached regarding Lord Linlithgow's successor. He adds that there is more talk of the possibility of the new Viceroy being given greater powers than his predecessors to meet the circumstances in India.

No More Lease For Linlithgow

MANCHESTER, May 6.

The Political Correspondent of the "Manchester Guardian" writes "The New Viceroy is expected to be appointed towards the end of this month. There cannot be another extension of Lord Linlithgow's term. The expedient even looked dubious last time. It seemed to indicate not lack of a capable successor, but reluctance among the suitable men to take up the burden. If there was such reluctance, it is not likely to operate again. The plain necessity to make an appointment guarantee that where patriotic men are involved, the choice has certainly not been made yet, but signs point to its being made from within the Government. If the field of choice is thus narrowed to Ministers, three "probables" stand out. Mr. Attlee, Sir John Anderson and Sir Archibald Sinclair. Appointment from within the Government would probably lead to a number of other changes in the Government.—Reuter.

No Jail Delivery

LONDON, May 6.

No importance can be attached to reports that the Viceroy's new Executive Council is likely to tackle the problem of political prisoners forthwith, also that Indians will be appointed Governors of provinces when vacancies occur, Reuter learned on good authority to-day. It is stated that the policy as regards prisoners is expected to remain unchanged as long as the present political situation persists. For the same reason, the prospects of appointment of Indian Governors are remote.

Lumley To Be Next Viceroy?

LONDON, May 6.

According to the "Daily Herald" to-day among the names certain to be considered in the short list for the next Viceroy is that of Lord Swinton, now Resident Minister in West Africa.

"His chances of being offered the post are rated exceptionally high although he may not be disposed to accept it."

The "Herald" says, "Sir Roger Lumley, the retiring Governor of Bombay and former Conservative Member of Parliament, is another probable. His work in India is said to have greatly impressed Mr Churchill."

Cabinet Minister Likely To Succeed Linlithgow

A Cabinet Minister is likely to be the next Viceroy of India, says the "News Chronicle" political correspondent to-day.

Official announcement is expected before the end of May together with consequential changes in the Governmen..—Reuter.

AMERICAN GENERAL KILLED IN AIR CRASH

LONDON, May 6.

The United States Army Headquarters announced to-day that the plane in which Lt. General Frank Maxwell Andrews, Commanding General of the European Theatre and 13 others were flying lost their lives when the plane struck a hill in an isolated area near Grindavik Iceland, and was completely demolished.

The weather was bad with very low ceiling and poor visibility due to rain and low clouds. The only survivor was the rear gunner.

DEVERS TO SUCCEED ANDREWS.

The United States War Secretary Mr. H. L. Stimson stated to-day that Lt. Gen. Jacob L. Devers would succeed the late General Andrews as United States Commanding General of the European Theatre of operations.

Lt. General Devers who is 55 years old is an Artillery Officer who became head of the United States Armoured Forces. An expert on mechanisation, he was detailed for two years to plan combined operations between artillery and mechanised forces. He was in charge of the Mechanised Defences of the Panama Canal in 1939 and 1940. He was appointed Brigadier General in 1940, Major General in 1941 and has been in command of the United States Armoured Forces since 1940.—Reuter.

President Ryti Ignores Hitler's Summons

LONDON, May 6.

President Ryti of Finland was summoned to see Hitler but has not yet complied according to the London "Times" diplomatic correspondent to-day quoting a report from the continent.

The correspondent comments that the delay is significant because most other puppets have responded to the summons from Hitler after only one or two days notice.—Reuter.

WASHINGTON:—Lt. General Joseph Stilwell and Major General Chennault are returning to China shortly the Secretary for War Mr. Stimson told a Press conference.

Jap Attack On Airfield In S.-E. Bengal

Few Casualties Reported: R. A. F. Raid On Rly. Installations At Prome

NEW DELHI, May 6.

Early yesterday morning, Japanese aircraft made a short attack on one of our airfields in South-eastern Bengal. The damage caused was slight but a few casualties have been reported.

In Arakan active patrolling continues on the west side of the Mayu Ridge, says an India Command Joint War 'communique.'

On the eastern side in the sector, south-west of Buthidaung our troops have engaged some small parties of the enemy and have inflicted casualties on them. A Japanese detachment which had occupied a small hill near the Maungdaw-Buthidaung road was quickly dislodged but one or two isolated parties are in the area. In support of our land forces R.A.F. fighters and bombers yesterday attacked enemy troops and other objectives in the battle area.

Last night, "Wellington" aircraft made a sharp attack on railway installation at Prome.—A. P.

JAP RAIDS ON IMPHAL

SHILLONG, May 6.

A Press Note issued by the Government of Assam giving the details of the recent Japanese raids on Imphal says:—

"The raid on 20th took place at about 2 o'clock in the afternoon. Some 18 bombers and 26 fighters flying above 22,000 feet made an attack. They were engaged by our fighters and one bomber and two fighters probably were shot down.

"The Japanese attacked a Manipuri 'basti' outside Imphal itself. Bombs which they dropped killed many cattle and the casualties among the non-combatants were not light. A number of Manipuri houses were burnt down. Most of the casualties were due to the people being caught in their houses having congregated for feasts and not taking shelter in slit trenches.

In the second raid on 21st, 27 bombers and some 16 fighters also flying very high attacked the civilian centre of Imphal. The civilian casualties were very slight.

The public showed plenty of courage."—United Press.

Heaviest Strafing Raid On Jap Installations

CHUNGKING, May 6.

American bombers escorted by fighters attacked Hanoi (Haiphong area) in Indo-China and Saman at the southern tip of Hainan island on Tuesday in the heaviest bombing and strafing raids of the war against Japanese installations [illegible] China held bases, says a communique' from General Stilwell's headquarters.—Reuter.

U. S. Air Attack On Toungoo

NEW DELHI, May 6.

Heavy bombers of the Tenth U. S. Air Force dropped more than 30 tons of bombs on Toungoo, Burma on May 4, says a communique" issued by Reanquarters. United States forces in China, Burma, India information concentrating on these army headquarters in the town reported all bombs in the target area.

German Anti-Invasion Measures In Norway

STOCKHOLM, May 6.

New and extensive German anti-invasion preparations are reported from Norway, wires Reuter's special correspondent.

At Jaeren Germans are digging a gigantic anti-tank ditch extending from Tungenes to Ogna via Sola and Varhaug—a stretch of some 70 miles.

In Garmermoen and Hauerseter, districts south of Eidsvell some 800 persons from 70 farms have been evacuated because of building artillery emplacements.—Reuter.

"Invasion Of Europe After Clean-Up Of N. Africa"

WASHINGTON, May 6.

Elmer Davis, O. W. I. Chief told reporters, there was "no question, but that there will be Allied operations in continental Europe this summer."

He adds that he was confident that Allies could clean-up North Africa soon enough to permit this invasion. He said however, it might be necessary to leave a pocket of resistance in Bizerta to be reduced by sustained pounding while continental operations were underway. He said that he thought Germans intended to make a final stand in Africa at Bizerta.—Reuter

WASHINGTON:—The Ways and Means Committee of the House of Representatives has recommended a three year extension of America's Reciprocal Trade Agreements Programme. All the ten Republican Members voted against the extension.

FOR INDIAN PRISONERS OF WAR

(From Our Own Correspondent)

LONDON, May 6.

There are now approximately 14,000 Indian prisoners of war in German and Italian hands in Europe. Arrangements have accordingly been made by the India Comforts' Committee in London to pack and dispatch to them through the Red Cross 14,000 weekly food parcels and 560 weekly clothing parcels, with effect from May 17.

I understand since 1940, the Committee has spent £83,054 offering comforts to Indian prisoners of war, both seamen and troops.

CENSURE ON SAVARKAR'S POLICY

LUCKNOW, May 6

The Working Committee of the Agra Provincial Hindu Sabha at a meeting held yesterday at Cawnpore unanimously passed the following resolution:

"This meeting of the Working Committee of the Agra Provincial Hindu Sabha respectfully but emphatically brings to the notice of the President of the All-India Hindu Mahasabha that the attitude of the Mahasabha particularly in regard to the fast of Mahatma Gandhi and in asking the Hon'ble Sir J. P. Srivastava not to resign was caused great disappointment and dissatisfaction in the minds of the Hindu public and in the general interest of the Hindus and the country, demands that the present policy and programme of the Hindu Mahasabha should be immediately revised and strongly hopes that Hindu Mahasabha will deal with the situation with firmness in securing independence and should adopt practical means to achieve the object."

Sixty representatives were elected to the All-India Committee at the meeting.—A. P.

Middle East Supply Experts Meet

CAIRO May 6.

British and American experts in supply matters from all parts of the Middle East—Egypt, the Sudan, Palestine, Cyprus, the Levant States, Iraq, Persia, Saudi Arabia, Aden, Ethiopia, Eritrea, Tripolitania—are attending the annual meeting of the Middle East Supply Council which opened in Cairo today.

The Minister of State, Mr R. G. Casey and the United States' Ambassador Kirk, in opening speeches spoke on the desirability of developing trade between the countries of the Middle East and Anglo-American effort in the Middle East which was "not only an integral factor in winning the war but must maintain and develop fruits of victory."

Among other matters the meeting will discuss measures to counteract inflation.—Reuter.

Br. Submarine Sunk In Mediterranean

LONDON, May 6.

The Board of Admiralty regrets to announce that His Majesty's submarine "Sahib" (Lieut. J. H. Bromage) has been sunk in the central Mediterranean. According to enemy reports the commanding officer and five other officers and 41 members of the crew were rescued and been made prisoners of war.—Reuter.

LABOUR M.P. ON VICEROY'S TACTICAL MISTAKE

Plea For Indian Independence On Cessation Of Hostilities

LONDON, May 6

The Labour [illegible] of Parliament Mr. Charles G. Ammon in a letter published in the "London Times" to-day expresses the opinion that the Viceroy made "a tactical mistake" in refusing to receive the deputation of distinguished independent Indians.

"One sure thing is that a way must be found during the war so that the plan for independence may be peacefully implemented on the cessation of hostilities" Mr Ammon writes:

"I would venture to suggest that a way out is to be found along the lines of removal or amendment of social custom and economic development. Only Indians can do the former and co-operative goodwill between Indians and British, the latter. One or two important elementary difficulties at once spring to notice. Firstly, religious and political divisions which only Indians can solve. Secondly, the fact that despite the tremendous growth of the population and the aggregate increase of wealth, individually Indians are poorer. Thirdly, no political revolution has been achieved by illiterate people. India has about 90 per cent illiterate in the villages and 88 per cent in the towns and cities.

I venture to suggest that a small commission consisting of distinguished trusted Indians (with say, the Chief Justice of India as Chairman be appointed) to inquire into problems arising out of social customs and that a mixed commission be appointed to explore the economic side with special consideration to Road and Transport development. This latter might be advanced somewhat through the necessities of war. Some such policy alone will lift the question of India's independence out of the bog of warring political and personal disputation and allow freedom of thought in the fulfilment of its destiny."—Reuter.

DJEBEL BOU AOUKAZ FALLS

Tunisian Campaign Enters Final Phase, Says U. S. War Secretary

LONDON, May 6.

Allied Headquarters, North Africa: To-day's communique announces that the First Army stormed up Djebel Bou Aoukaz yesterday evening, capturing the same.

ENEMY FLUNG OFF THE TOP

As a climax to the bitter fighting which has swayed back and forwards for several days, British troops of the First Army fought their way up Djebel Bou Aoukaz, flung the enemy off the top and now firmly hold it.

The British had previously only got within 400 yards of the top. They now stand on the crest and can look over the plain that leads to Tunis. There are more hills to the east but they are all lower and slope gradually away.

MUCH-PRIZED HILLOCK

Djebel Bou Aoukaz the capture of which was announced in today's communique is a much-prized, jagged 700-foot height dominating the Tunisian plain. It lies south of the Medjerda River and is some 8 miles south-west of Tebourba. Fierce battles had been taking place on its rocky slopes and it is just a week ago that British troops got to within 400 feet of its summit before they were forced to withdraw. It lies between two main roads from Medjez which converge on Tunis like a "V". The northerly one passes through Tebourba and Djebeddia and the southerly one through Massicault and Saint Cyprine.

AXIS COUNTER-ATTACKS REPULSED

In the north the Americans are giving the Axis no respite. The Axis have been forced to put in several counter-attacks apparently in order to delay the advancing United States'

Rome Expects Fall Of Tunis In A Month

ZURICH, May 6.

A report from Rome says that it is officially believed there that the fall of Tunis is inevitable within a fortnight or a month.—Reuter.

troops while they organise defences on the road to Bizerta. All such attacks were repulsed by the most successful Americans who pressed further forward.

TANK CONCENTRATIONS DISPERSED

Axis motor transport was observed yesterday north of Djebel Bou Aoukaz. A number of tanks were seen concentrated on a hill some six miles east of Grich El Oued. All these Axis concentrations were dispersed by artillery fire.

The French are still engaging Axis forces in the Pont Du Fahs area where they are encountering very strong resistance.

TUNIS HARBOUR BOMBED.

Yesterday medium bombers of the strategic Air Force renewed their attacks in strength on enemy shipping ports and airfields. Flying Fortresses sank a large merchant vessel in the Sicilian Straits, while medium bombers in the course of attacks on shipping sank one vessel and scored hits on three others. Harbours at Tunis and Lagoulette were bombed by Flying Fortresses.

AXIS ATTEMPT TO REINFORCE ARMIES

LONDON, May 6.

Reuter's special correspondent at Allied Headquarters in North Africa:—Throughout yesterday the Axis Command continued its efforts to reinforce its beleaguered armies in Tunisia by sea. Once again Allied Air Forces struck hard at vital sealanes and by nightfall it sank two ships and severely damaged seven more.

NOOSE ROUND AXIS FORCES TIGHTENING

WASHINGTON, May 6.

The United States Secretary of State for War, Mr. Stimson announced to-day that the noose was tightening around the Axis Army in Tunisia and the campaign was entering its final phase.

Mr. Stimson said that while the Axis losses were heavy in Tunisia, the bulk of the Axis army was still intact.

Giving a warning of hard fighting in the last phase of the campaign he continued "there is still no evidence of evacuation of the Axis forces. We have a veteran Axis army brought to bay in a restricted area which must fight or surrender and there is every indication that they will fight."

Of the Japanese fifty plane raid on Port Darwin, he added "We had a novel and unpleasant experience of suffering heavier losses than the Japanese."

LATEST COMMERCIAL

COTTON (July)

New York, May 6.

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LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE LOANS

The London Stock Exchange was generally quiet.

3 per cent Australian Commonwealth £102 1/4; 2 1/2 per cent British Consols £81 1/8; 3 per cent Conversion Loan £108 3/16; 3 per cent Conversion Loan £103 3/16; 4 per cent War Loan £113 5/16; 3 1/2 per cent War Loan £103 9/16; 3 1/2 per cent War Loan £100 13/16; 4 per cent Victory Bonds £113 5/8

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

New York, May 6.

New York Stock Exchange opening prices:—

General Motors dol 51 7/8
Anaconda Copper Mining dol 30 5/8
United States Steel dol 56 1/2
United States Steel Preference unquoted

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

Ahmedabad, May 6.

To-day's closing rates on Stock Exchange:—Ulico Rs. 1,621; Ambika Rs. 747; Saraspur Rs. 557; Maredan Rs. 266; Jupiter Rs. 83.

Stalin Visualises Soviet-Polish Pact

Post-War Policy To Be Based On Good Neighbourly Relations Or Mutual Assistance Against Nazi Aggression

LONDON, May 6.

The London 'Times' today publishes a letter from Marshal Stalin to its Correspondent in Moscow expressing the Soviet Government's desire to see a strong and independent Poland, and suggesting a Soviet-Polish alliance might be formed after the war.

Marshal Stalin's letter, dated May 4 reads:

"On May 3, I received your two questions concerning Polish-Soviet relations. Here are my answers:

(1). Question: Does the Government of the U.S.S.R. desire to see a strong and independent Poland after the defeat of Hitler's Germany?

Answer: Unquestionably, it does.

(2) Question: On what foundations, is it your opinion that relations between Poland and the U.S.S.R. should be based after the war?

Answer: Upon a basis of solid good neighbourly relations and mutual respect, or should the Polish people so desire on the basis of an alliance providing for mutual assistance against the Germans as the chief enemies of the Soviet Union and Poland."

RE-ASSURING ON TWO COUNTS

NEW YORK, May 6.

"New York Times" to-day describes Marshal Stalin's replies to questions put to him by newspaper correspondents as "highly reassuring on two counts. First, as evidence that the Soviet leader is concerned about public opinion in the United States, and second, as proof that 'friendly neighbour' on which the Moscow press has been insisting since the Russian Polish break, is not envisaged as a weak state subservient to the Soviet union, but as a strong and independent Poland.

Such an assurance by going back to the agreement made with General Sikorski offers an opening for the healing of the breach in the United Nations Front.

The Polish Premier widens the way to a new understanding in his address on the Polish National Day.

Marshal Stalin's statement like General Sikorski corresponds to realities in the relations not only between Russia and Poland but between Russia and all her Western neighbours, and by extension to all nations banded together to make a securer world. We are entering a new epoch and a new dimension in international relations. It is not too much to say that the two powers making most difficult the transition toward co-operation with others are the Soviet Union and the United States. The chief significance of the Soviet leader's terse message to the Americans is a reminder that Russia like ourselves is moving with the unexorable tides of history."

Sikorski On Stalin's Gesture

LONDON, May 6.

The Polish Prime Minister, General Sikorski commenting on Stalin's statement to the London Times and the New York Times on the Russian Polish relations said "The Germans have been for ages the common and implacable enemy of both Poles and Russians. The Polish Nation wants of course to continue its friendly relations with Soviet Russia and base them on an alliance directed against Germany. It is however difficult for me not to be restrained even in the face of such a favourable declaration by Premier Stalin at the very moment when the Polish Ambassador has left Russia and masses of Polish populations in Soviet Russia are left without care and assistance of their Government. Yet in spite of this and in spite of many other facts the Polish Government is ready to give a positive answer to any Soviet initiative which will coincide with the interests of the Polish Republic as defined in our common Declaration of December 4 1941 and in my speech of May 4.—Reuter

RED NAVAL PLANES BOMB CONSTANZA

The Moscow radio last night said that the Soviet naval air force planes raided the Black Sea port of Constanza. Fires were started and explosions observed.

Moscow radio early this morning said that the Russians not only bombed Constanza but also Brest-Litovsk, Gommel, Briansk and Yalta.

RED ARMY WITHIN 8 MILES OF NOVOROSSISK

LONDON, May 6.

Reuter's special correspondent in Moscow in his morning despatch says:—General Maslennikov's Caucasus army gained fresh ground during the night in their two-point drive on the Black Sea city and naval base of Novorossisk. Soviet troops in wooded heights to the south are already on the southern outskirts of the town.

To-day's Soviet 'communique' said "in the Kuban Valley, north-east of Novorossisk, fierce battles continued". German losses on this front are mounting rapidly.

SOVIET BREAK THROUGH IN KUBAN

Later front line despatches received in Moscow state that the Soviet break through in Kuban along the 17-mile front from Adagum, 5 miles south of the Kuban river, to Neberdzhavskaya has brought the Red Army to a point 8 miles from Novorossisk.

Soviet soldiers in this mountain country now dominate the city from the north-east.

STALIN'S CALL TO THE ARMY

LONDON, May 6.

The Moscow radio to-night issued a call to the Red Army: "Fighting men of the Red Army make ready for the offensive battles which are coming.

Carry out the orders of our Commander-in-Chief M. Stalin."

German radio said last night that the Russians are now attacking Krimskaya-Novorossisk Road.

Attlee Sees No Need For Change

LONDON, May 6.

The need for new methods of obtaining maximum political understanding between the Allied Government in view of recent events was urged in the House of Commons to-day by several Labour and Conservative members.

The Deputy Prime Minister, Mr. Clement Attlee replied "I am satisfied that having regard to the geographical and other factors involved, the existing methods of consultation among the United Nations are the best that can be devised."

Answering the suggestion that "certain recent regrettable developments "would not have arisen, if there had been better machinery for consultation" Mr. Attlee replied "the fact that differences arise is not necessarily cured by any particular kind of machinery."

U. S. SPECIAL REPRESENTATIVE TO MOSCOW

WASHINGTON, May 6.

Mr. Joseph Davis will leave today on second mission to Moscow as special representative of Roosevelt to Stalin, it is learnt on unquestionable authority, states Washington Correspondent of "New York Times" He adds, Mr. Davis will extend an invitation to Stalin to meet Roosevelt alone for discussion of questions of mutual interest, but it is possible that the invitation may be broadened to include Mr. Churchill.

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"Swaraj is my birth-right and I will have it".

—TILAK.

The Bombay Chronicle

CLOTH SHORTAGE

The problem of cloth shortage is fast becoming about as acute as that of food shortage. Yet while the prices of food grains are controlled, those of cloth are not, with the result that they are leaping up to unconscionable heights. It has been estimated that the mill production in the country cannot exceed 4,500 million yards per annum, to which may be added about 1,000 million yards turned out by handlooms; while the total demand is well over 6,000 million yards. We fear that the actual shortage is much more than is indicated by these figures, considering that mill production has not been in recent months at all up to its maximum capacity and the production from handlooms is, for various reasons, very precarious. And since priority in the distribution has necessarily to be given to war orders, the pinch of the shortage is felt most acutely by the poorer sections of the civil population.

Government realised too late that to prevent discontent among the masses some arrangements must be made for the provision of at least minimum cloth requirements and devised the scheme of standard cloth. But the scheme has not yet been worked on a wide enough scale and with the necessary despatch. It appears that the mills have not found it easy both to satisfy the war demand and to produce standard cloth for the masses. According to the "Indian Finance", the industry has, therefore, "resorted to the expedient of ear-marking a part of its productive capacity for both these purposes lumped together, leaving it to the Government to decide the exact apportionment as between the two." Consequent on the fall in production due to the disturbances of August last, war orders have to be given a larger quota of the ear-marked capacity and the production of standard cloth has fallen as a consequence.

At a time when cotton is comparatively cheap and cotton products are abnormally high in price, it should have been easy for Khadi to compete with mill cloth if it were well-organised. In any case in the present circumstances Khadi alone can bridge the gulf between the supply and the demand for cloth as indicated by the figures cited above. But Khadi production has been given almost a mortal blow by Government's repressive regime in which numerous Khadi depots and production centres have been attached by Government, and many Khadi workers have been jailed and thereby prevented from starting fresh organisations. Government might well have subsidised Khadi work. They have not done so nor have they allowed experienced workers to organise it. For all these reasons cloth shortage is becoming a most serious problem and it behoves Government, who directly and indirectly control cloth production, to see that the poor get at a reasonable price at least the minimum quantity of cloth that decency demands. In the cold season the situation may be very grave, indeed.

In Hitler's Europe

In order to continue the prosecution of the war, the dictators of Hungary have been forced to suppress parliamentary activity and close the Lower House. This is the explanation the Hungarian Premier himself has offered and it constitutes an illuminating indication that war is growing increasingly unpopular with the people of Hungary. It also lends point to a statement made recently by President Benes of Czechoslovakia that Hungary was endeavouring to make contact with the Allies. Hungary's present rulers either of their own accord or under pressure from Hitler may or may not succeed in keeping Hungary in the war. But it is quite clear that a "rot" has already set in. And it is not confined to Hungary alone. Indeed it extends to all the satellite States.

President Benes, the invariable accuracy of whose public statements has been affirmed by Mr. Wickham Steed, also stated that Bulgaria was awaiting a suitable moment to change her front. In this case, again, reports just published by Berlin itself of the situation in Sofia lend point to his statement. As to Finland reports about her eagerness to withdraw from war are strengthened by Baron Mannerheim's "illness" and rumours that President Ryti has refused Hitler's summons to meet him. President Benes, by the way, makes the remarkable suggestion that Rumania may lead the flight from the Axis. But whether any of the satellite States will yet desert Hitler as such, popular revolt in German occupied and German dominated countries in the whole of Europe is developing rapidly. It is a significant expression of the people's confidence that redemption is imminent. And therein lies the rub. That confidence must be justified by the Allies soon, lest demoralisation set in.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

Notable Success

April has recorded an extremely satisfactory improvement in the war against U-boats. The Germans have claimed sinking about half a million tons of shipping which, as Mr. Elmer Davis says, is "considerably exaggerated." But the point about this "considerably exaggerated" claim is that it is half of what was claimed by the Germans themselves in March. This is a notable victory. It has been principally due to the employment of a large force of fast, small but powerful corvettes built in America. These corvettes are now coming into service in large numbers. Since, moreover, other methods are also being successfully developed to fight the U-boat there is no reason why the situation should not improve still further in the future.

Lost Opportunity

Burma was recently described by a member of Parliament as the "forgotten front." The Japanese however, do not seem in a mood to forget it in the least. According to the latest dispatches they have renewed their pressure against the troops holding positions on the eastern side of the Mayu hills and have already made some progress. This indicates their determination to restore the situation obtaining before the British push in Arakan. As a matter of fact the two towns Maungdaw and Buthidang are vital to Japanese strategy in this sector and the enemy will try his utmost to recapture them before the rains put a stop to all serious fighting. Mr. Churchill has promised to include Burma in his next war review in the Commons. Whatever excuses the Prime Minister may have to offer, the world at large will consider it as one more lost opportunity.

Mr. Beverley Nichols' Lecture

I was one of those present at the talk given by Mr. Beverley Nichols at the Progressive Group Meeting.

Whereas the talk was interesting, it was not instructive. Most of the lecture consisted of what a revolution Mr and Mrs. Smiths are passing through. Mr. and Mrs. Smiths of the last great war passed through a similar revolution and at the end of it, rebounded with vigour to tradition so entirely British that the world went wrong and millions have to die.

There was another point made out by Mr. Beverley that Mr. and Mrs. Smiths are both puzzled and pained at the Indian situation. This is not surprising. Mr. and Mrs. Smiths are enormously self-contained people. Their education has been terribly neglected. Mr. Beverley asked his audience that if it be possible for Mr. Churchill and Mon. Stalin to fall on each other's neck, why could Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Gandhi not embrace each other? The answer is simple. Messrs. Churchill and Stalin have each a country of his own. They are uniting for the common aim of destroying Hitler who has become such a menace. The end being achieved each will work out the salvation of his own country in his own way.

Not so here. Mr. Jinnah and Mr. Gandhi will have to live in the same country. The minorities fully mistrust the Congress slogans of nationalism and democracy. The adult franchise will be merely counting heads of cattle and the Congress knows how to manipulate the vote. The minorities are organising and will like to maintain their identity, their historical tradition, their culture. These are some of the points which Mr. and Mrs. Smiths will not understand.

A. P. SABAVALA.

Will Mr. Beverley Nichols Reply?

For one reason or another, Mr. Nichols refused to answer questions after his address to the Progressive Group. Will he be good enough to answer the following in the larger forum of the press? If he does not, the public can assess him at his proper value.

Mr. Nichols said that, Mr. and Mrs. Smith, (i.e. the common people) were for Indian freedom, but were puzzled at Gandhiji and Jinnah not being arm in arm in demanding such freedom. Will Mr. Nichols be good enough to say what were the reactions, of Mr. and Mrs. Smith to the Burma's demand for their freedom, so summarily turned down by Mr. Churchill, even though there was no Jinnah there to differ from Gandhiji and there was no communal question there at all?

Do Mr. and Mrs. Smith, therefoe, hold Churchill responsible for the British so quickly and completely quitting Burma, following on this refusal of the Burma's legitimate demand?

M. J. G.

AMENDMENT TO PREVENTION OF PROSTITUTION ACT.

The Bombay Government Gazette publishes the following Act to amend the Bombay Prevention of Prostitution Act 1923 made by the Governor of Bombay under Section 93 of the Government of India Act, 1935, having been assented to by the Governor General on the 28th April 1943.

The statement says: "Under the present law, no action can be taken against landlords for deliberately allowing their premises to be occupied for purposes of prostitution. The serving of notices on prostitutes under sub-section (1) of section 9 of the Bombay Prevention of Prostitution Act, 1923, has merely resulted as a rule in the letting of the premises to a new set of prostitutes every time, thus rendering ineffectual police action aimed at the removal of prostitutes from specific localities. It is, therefore, proposed to amend the Act with a view to make landlords punishable for the repeated and continuous letting out of their premises to prostitutes to enable the Police to clear specific areas effectually. It is proposed to make the new offences triable by stipendiary Presidency Magistrates only.

Lahore High Court Dismisses 20 'Habeas Corpus' Petitions

"Defect In Rule 26 Removed Retrospectively By New Ordinance": Rajaji's Suit Against Madras Editor Postponed

(THROUGH A. P. & U. P.)

Mr. Justice Mohammed Munir of the Lahore High Court dismissed to-day 20 "habeas corpus" petitions filed by Mr. Ramlal Varma editor of the Daily "Tej" and 19 other Congressmen of Delhi who are at present detained under Rule 26 of the Defence of India Rules in the District Jail, Ferozepur.

The petitioners who moved the High Court through the jail authorities, submitted that as Rule 26 of the Defence of India Rules had been held 'ultra vires' by the Federal Court, their detention was illegal.

His Lordship dismissing the applications observed that the defect had been removed retrospectively by the recent ordinance.

RAJAJI'S SUIT AGAINST MADRAS EDITOR ADJOURNED

MADRAS, May 6: The case of alleged defamation against the editor and printer of the "Sunday Observer" filed by Mr. C. Rajagopalachariar which came up for hearing to-day before the Chief Presidency Magistrate, was further adjourned to 17th May.

Mr. P. Balusubramania Mudaliar, first accused, who at the last hearing requested issue of "subpeona" for the examination of Mr. T. S. Avanasaligham Chettiar M.L.A. (Central), informed the court to-day that Mr. Chettiar was now detained in Vellore jail.

The Magistrate said that he would issue a commission for the examination of Mr. Avanasaligham Chettiar and asked the defence to find "interrogatories" by the 17th instant.

POLITICALS IN ORISSA

CUTTACK, May 6: The latest figure of detention of persons under Rule 26 of the Defence of India Rules in connection with the recent political disturbances in Orissa is 396. There were 1335 convictions in this connection under the Defence of India Rules.

'BOMB FACTORY CASE" TRIAL

KARACHI, May 6: An application challenging the legality of the Criminal Courts Ordinance of 1942 and questioning the jurisdiction of Special Courts was rejected to-day by Mr. Hassanali Agha, Special Magistrate, appointed to try the Karachi "Bomb Factory Case."

Mr. Agha held that it was not within his competence to question the validity of the Statute whereby the court was constituted and stated that he preferred to rely on the Rule of the Full Bench of the Bombay High Court that a pending case in which sessions trial had not commenced can be made over to a Special Court.

The Court then proceeded with the case and recorded the evidence of approvers.

4 Bombay Detenus Released

Shri Dhirubhai M. Desai Vice-Principal, Hansraj Morarji Public School, Bombay. Shri Jethabhai and Shri Sohoni, security prisoners, class one, were released unconditionally from Nasik Road Central Prison.

Shri Babubhai J. Patel, M.L.A., (Kaira) was released unconditionally from the same prison, on medical grounds.

Pt. Shukla's Residence Searched

(From Our Correspondent).

NAGPUR. (By Mail).

A Raipur message states that the residence of Pandit Ravi Shanker Shukla, ex-Premier who is undergoing detention at Vellore Jail and who is at present an indoor patient at the General Hospital, Madras, was searched by the Raipur Police on Thursday last.

It is reported that nothing incriminating was found.

Rs. 3,000 Bail For Journalist

JUBBULPORE, May 6.

Mr. Hukumchand Narad, a journalist of Jubbulpore, who was in detention under the Defence of India Rules was released on a bail of Rs. 3,000.

3 Accused In Paunar Case Discharged

WARDHA, May 6.

In the Paunar Conspiracy Case three accused, Shankerbhai, Suryabhan and Shanker Babulkar of Nalwadi Ashram were discharge by the Special Judge. Charges for conspiracy, cutting of telegraphic wires and removing of postal letter box were framed against several accused.

Suryabhan was arrested under Rule 129 of the Defence of India Rules while Babhulkar is already under detention under Rule 26. Shankerbhai is undergoing imprisonment.

All the accused pleaded not guilty.

Jinnah On Growing Strength Of League

The following are extracts from the fuller text published in "Dawn" of Mr. Jinnah's presidential address to the session of the All-India Muslim League held in Delhi last week.

BENGAL AFFAIRS

Ladies and Gentlemen, in the course of this one year since we met last at Allahabad, there is not the slightest doubt, that the Muslim League is moving from strength to strength throughout India. (Cheers). Thus we have gone through the crucible of fire in Bengal. And today Fazlul Huq is no more and I hope for the rest of his life he will be no more. (Cries of hear and loud cheers). He often said that if he was a hindrance, he was willing to go. But he never went (laughter). I say with all due deliberation and with all responsibility that he was not only a hindrance but a curse to the politics of Bengal. He was a curse to the Mussalmans because he betrayed us; he was a curse to the Hindus because he served them as a puppet and their creature. He has met his Waterloo (Laughter). Let him now remain in St. Helena and repent for the rest of his life and pray to God so that He may forgive his sins.

Bengal has therefore shown that there is no room for duplicity. Bengal has set an example from which others may learn a lesson. (Cries of hear, hear and loud cheers). It is now the voice of the League, the voice of the people, it is now the authority of the Millat that you have to bow to, though you may be the tallest poppy in the Muslim world. (Renewed cheers).

After referring to the formation of Muslim League Ministries in Assam, Sind and the Punjab, Mr. Jinnah said:—

MINORITY PROVINCES

Do not forget the minority provinces. It is they who have spread the light when there was darkness in the majority provinces. It is they who were the spearheads that the Congress wanted to crush with their overwhelming majority in the Muslim majority provinces. It is they, who had suffered for you in the majority provinces, for your sake, for your benefit and for your advantage. But never mind, it is all in the role of a minority to suffer. (Cheers). We of the minority have suffered and are ready to face any consequences if we can liberate the 75 million of our brethren in the North, Western and Eastern zones.

We have got a great deal to do. Of course it has now been made clear as to what we are struggling for. Anyone, who now pretends that he does not understand, well, what shall I say? He is a fool or a dishonest man. Our goal is here, our demands are clear. What is that we want? We want to establish independent states in those zones which are our homelands and where we are in a majority. In other words we do not want to be in union with those zones where the Hindus are in a majority and the Mussalmans are in a minority. Now let me give you some idea of the background of the movement in India for the independence of India.

A RETROSPECT

Ladies and Gentlemen: In the first instance the Act of 1861 and the act of 1884 gave a very small kind of representation to the so-called Council of the Governor-General. If you will remember, a small beginning was made of elected representatives being sent either to the Imperial Council as it was then called or the local councils or to other municipal or local or district boards in the country. The result of the working of the Act was—I am not exaggerating—that it was not possible for any Mussalman to get elected. Then came Minto-Morley proposals in 1907, the first time when seriously this elective principle was going to be enlarged or increased. At that time the Mussalmans who had learnt by experience from 1884 downwards right up to 1907, made a demand for separate electorates. Mr. Gokhale who was a great Hindu,—and I was quite a young man at that time and who had learnt at the feet of that great man,—and Dadabhoy Naoroji naturally came to imbibe certain principles, one of which was that we must try to bring an equitable adjustment between these two major communities in this land. Mr. Gokhale at that time championed the cause of the Mussalmans. With his liberal and broadminded statesmanship, and he was a tower of intellect, and this is what he said in 1907:

"Confronted by an overwhelming Hindu majority, Muslims are naturally afraid that release from the British yoke might in their case mean enslavement to the Hindus. (This is not a fear to be ridiculed). Were the Hindus similarly situated as are the Muslims in regards to numbers and other things, would they not have entertained similar misgivings? We would undoubtedly have felt the same fears and adopted the identical policy which the Muslims are adopting to-day."

It is men of the character of that great Dadabhoy Naoroji that inspired us with some hope of a fair and equitable adjustment. But remember, even at this period signs were there that there was a section which was dreaming in terms of Hindu Raj. I give you one quotation from a prominent Hindu leader—Mr. Bepin Chandra Pal. You will see that even as far back as 1913 that was the definite aim of a large section of the Hindus. This is what Mr. Pal says in May 1913:

"National differentiations among us, therefore, have not been based upon territorial demarcation only, or upon political or economic competitions and conflicts, but upon differences of culture. Under the Muslims we had, whether Hindus or Musmalmans, one common Government, but that did not destroy the integrity of Hindu culture. We took many things from our Mohamedan neighbours and gave them also something of our own, but this interchange of ideas and institutions did not destroy our special character or our special culture. And that special character and culture is the very soul and essense of what we now understand as Nationalism. This is by no means a mere political idea or ideal. It is something that touches every department of our collective life and activity. It is organised in our domestic, our communal, our social and our socio-economic institutions. In fact politics from some points of view, the least important factor of this nation-idea among us. The so-called from political institutions of Europe might, indeed, hinder, instead of helping the growth of our real national life; while under concievable conditions, mere political subjection might not be able to touch even the outermost fringe of that life."

Then he goes on:

"The Nationalist Movement in India, which so far, is essentially a Hindu movement, stands:

I. Ideally, for (1) Hindu Nationalism (2) Federal internationalism (3) Universal Federation.

II. Practically for (1) the preservation of the distinctive genius and character of Hindu culture and civilisation, (2) The promotion of sympathetic and reverent study of other world cultures, e.g. Christian and Islam, representing the composite of modern India, and the cultivation of the spirit of mutual understanding and the helpful co-operation with them, (3) the continuance of the British connection through the gradual building up of a Federal constitution for the present association called the British Empire, a Federation in which India and Egypt shall be equal co-partners of Great Britain with Ireland and the British colonies, (4) The advancement of Universal Federation."

He stands for what? Hindu Nationalism. But as I say, undaunted, hope sprang almost eternally in my heart and soul, derived from Dadabhoy Naoroji. I was not going to give it up, but nourish it. After the Karachi session of the Congress in 1913, I redoubled my efforts. What happened? Those of you who remember it, know, it was our set purpose to remove this misunderstanding. There were many others who were a pillar of strength amongst the Mussalmans as well as the Hindus who made great efforts. I was the arch culprit in this mission. I therefore tried and succeeded to get these two organisations—the Congress and the Muslim League—to meet at least in one city. That was in 1915. It was after laborious efforts that I got them together in the city of Bombay. At that time as it happened, the war was on and it was expected that the Government would make some declaration of policy on Constitutional reform in this country. Our friends the British at that time—even to-day I don't think they have given up this game—did not want that these two organisations should meet in the same city,—leave alone under one roof. You know, Ladies and gentlemen, that that session of the All-India Muslim League at its first meeting was broken up under the very nose of the Police. We asked the Government to hold an enquiry as we felt that it was with the connivance of the police and with the support of the bureaucracy that the meeting of Muslim League had been broken up. I do not want to go into details. It is a matter of history. I want just to skip over those events and give you the background. They saw through that and we were not far wrong. At the end of the next year, that is, in December 1916 the Congress and the League again met at Lucknow and there we signed, sealed and delivered the Lucknow Pact, known as Hindu-Muslim Lucknow Pact. But that Pact was mutilated by the British Parliament in various ways. After that came the Montague-Chelmsford Reforms declaration.

(To Be Continued.)

Can Leaguers Join National War Front?

Liaqat Ali Khan Commends Jinnah's Lead

NEW DELHI, May 6.

Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan, Honorary Secretary of the All-India Muslim League, has issued the following statement:—

"I have been receiving a number of enquiries from members whether Muslim Leaguers could join the National War Front. The policy of the Muslim League with regard to this matter was explained by the President, Mr. M. A. Jinnah, in the following letter which he had sent to the Secretary of the Bengal Provincial Muslim League last June and which should as a guide to the members of the Muslim League.

The letter runs as follows:

I am in receipt of your letter and I beg to inform you that the policy of the League as I understand it is that, we cannot join any committee or committees or any organisation which are set up or may be set up by the Government and are under the control and direction of the Government so long as we have not real share in the powers and authority of the Government at the centre and in the provinces.

'It is not a question of opposing the War effort and it does not arise at present. Our position is that we cannot undertake the burden and the responsibility of advising our people to join any of these bodies that are set up or may be set up by the Government when we have no control and direction of any kind over them."'—A. P.

Nizam On Contentment Of Labour

(From Our Correspondent.)

HYDERABAD (Dn.), May 6.

Contentment and co-operation of labour is essential for the prosperity of any industry, was the salient remark made by His Exalted Highness the Nizam while opening the Hyderabad Alwyn's Metal Works at Azamabad, this evening. He stressed the need for taking up post-war schemes. The Nizam observed, "The well-being of my subjects is my first concern.

Speaking about the war the Nizam prayed for the success of Allies and added that as the faithful ally of British Government he made every contribution to the Allies' cause.

Khan Bahadur Ahmed Allauddin presented an address to the Nizam wherein he mentioned great works carried out in the field of industrial and agricultural development in the State.

Newspapers In Mahableshwar

(From Our Correspondent)

MAHABLESHWAR, May 5

It is stated that the Parcels of both the "Bombay Chronicle" and the "Times of India"—dailies were held back and misplaced during the Poona-Mahableshwar bus transport and the postal irregularities during the week-end.

The papers were missed by the regular readers here on Saturday and Sunday last.

The usual newspaper activites and sale continue—from yesterday onwards—as usual.

12 MONTHS' CERTIFICATE COURSE IN AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

The Director of Information, Bombay, writes:

The Agricultural College, Poona, admits only such students for the degree course as have passed the First Year Examination in Science. It is intended to introduce, in addition to the degree course, a two years' diploma course in agriculture for those passing the School Leaving Certificate examination, in order to provide non-graduates with a course of practical training in improved agriculture.

The expenditure involved in starting the diploma course is heavy, and in view of war conditions, the Government of Bombay has decided not to start that course immediately but to introduce pending the institution of a full two-years' diploma course, a special 12 months' certificate course at the Agricultural College for training students who will be leaving the agricultural high schools during the intervening period.

CEREBRO-SPINAL FEVER

How To Avoid It

It is reported that a severe epidemic of cerebro-spinal fever is at present prevailing in Kathiawar. As a large number of passengers daily come to Bombay from Kathiawar and adjoining areas, it is likely that the epidemic may spread to this city. There is no cause for any alarm at present, but it is better to warn the people of this city in time. The following hints in this connection will be useful:—

(1) It is a disease more commonly found in children and adults below 25 years of age. Overcrowding is the most important of contributory causes.

(2) Symptoms. The onset is followed by sudden headache especially at the back of the head, vomitting, shivering, temperature, pulse-rate being high.

(3) The disease is spread by means of discharges from the nose and mouth. The infection is acquired by direct contact with the patient and in majority of cases due to close association with 'carriers' who might be healthy persons not suffering from the disease, but carrying the germs in their noses and mouths.

(4) Precautionary measures.

(a) Avoid all fatigue and over-exertion.

(b) Avoid overcrowding and ill-ventilated rooms.

(c) Avoid visiting places where large number of people congregate.

(d) Avoid use of common towels, dishes, etc.

(e) Seek medical aid immediately for colds and fevers.

(f) Gargle the throat regularly and irrigate the nose with salt-solution—one teaspoonful-salt to a glass of water or with any other throat-and-mouth disinfectant like listerine, etc.

Standing Labour Committee To Meet In City

Plans for Labour Legislation and Labour Welfare during war time, establishment of Joint Labour Management Committees on the U.S.A. model in undertakings engaged in war production, insertion of Fair Wages Clause in Government contracts, these and other proposals for establishing Employment Exchanges for skilled and unskilled personnel will come up for discussion at the 3rd Meeting of the Standing Labour Committee in Bombay on to-day and tomorrow.

The Committee was set up by the Tripartite Labour Conference which met at Delhi some time ago.

The Labour Member, Dr B. R. Ambedkar will preside. The meeting will be attended by the following delegates and advisers from Provinces and States as well as representatives of Employers and workers all over India.

Discussions On Labour Welfare

Various measures to ensure the safety and welfare of workers in war time were discussed at the meeting of Labour Welfare Officers held in Bombay on Wednesday and Thursday. Mr. H. C. Prior, Secretary to Government of India, Labour Department, Dr. D. T. Jack, Labour Adviser and Mr. P. S. Nimbkar Labour Welfare Adviser met the officers who gave first hand accounts of welfare activities which have been in progress in all the Provinces for the last six months.

Welfare of Labour in central undertakings featured prominently in the discussions.

"Famine" Declared In More Bijapur Villages

A state of famine has been declared in six more villages in the Bagewadi taluka of Bijapur district, in four more villages in Muddebihal taluka, in nine villages in Bagalkot taluka and in eight in Hungund taluka.

Why Bread Prices Jump?

Mr. B. F. Bharucha writes:—

Why have the prices of bread jumped so suddenly since the 4th instant? Government have received wheat by rail and sea; and yet the price of a slice of bread is doubled from Tuesday last! Is it Control, or rank profiteering—and that too, in regard to poor men's daily bread?

NEWS IN BRIEF

KARACHI, May 6.—The Government has no intention whatsoever of raising the maximum price of wheat at any time during the year says a Press Note dealing with the Zamindars are withholding their stocks of wheat from sale in the hope that Government would soon raise the control price.—A. P.

CUTTACK, May 6. Standard Cloth will be available in Orissa in the course of the current month. Cards are being issued for the distribution of the same. For the first quarter the Province will get 17,50,000 yards of Standard Cloth. For the second part the quota has been fixed for four million yards.

MADRAS, May 6.

Three more candidates who filed their nomination papers for the by-election to the Central Assembly from Madras City withdrew their candidature to-day leaving Mr. G. Rangiah Naidu (Congress) and Mr. T. Sundararao Naidu (Justice) to contest the seat rendered vacant by the death of Mr. S. Satyamurthi.

The election will be held on 5th June.—A. P.

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WITHOUT COMMENT—

He added, that the period of fruitful co-operation must not be terminated until the war is won and our social economy is placed on a sound foundation in accord with the principles of the Atlantic Charter and hopes and aspirations of our people for a better social order following the calamitous period we are now passing through.

—General Smuts among his fellow-Whites at Pretoria.

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British Press speculations generally suggest a Cabinet Member for the Viceroyalty of India. But while we admit that Lord Swinton has for sometime been undergoing a suitable training in West Africa, we still hold that Sir John Anderson's claims are pre-eminent.

Lord Linlithgow deserves a successor worthy by reason of concrete achievements, and Sir John is the right man for such a right job.

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Indians, says a London report, may be appointed Governors when vacancies occur and Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar is tipped as the first among them.

Sir A. Ramaswamy Mudaliar is eminently qualified for, in fact, entitled to, the honour. Did he not, on the very last occasion he ever sought the suffrage of the people, contribute his deposit money to the public revenue? After which, Sir Ramaswamy never looked back, so to speak.

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Mr. Savarkar hails Dr. Khare as "a genuine nationalist who would defend the legitimate rights of all communities alike in proportion to their merits and population strength."

He would for instance defend Muslim rights in the proportion of 1 to 4?

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Addressing Muslim notables in Algiers, General Giraud is reported to have said "We are united by the same conception of human freedom."

Applause. Loud applause.

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Signor Mussolini has dramatically revealed to a Palazo Venezia audience that millions of Italians are suffering from "Africa disease."

He never made a truer statement. What is worse, millions more, in fact, all the Italians are going to suffer still more from the consequences of the "Africa disease."

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By the way, Il Duce's "whole longing and craving aim at a return to Africa."

St. Helena is, of course, a part of Africa. But we do earnestly hope the Allies do not insult the memory of a great and gallant man—Napoleon.

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According to Reuter, von Arnim's Bizerta defence force is pinned into a "narrow coastal triangle."

All that is wanted is that it shouldn't prove eternal.

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The doctor had overhauled his patient. "You confess that you are badtempered," he said. "I suppose you know that science has discovered that your bad temper is caused by an ugly little microbe?"

"Hush!" said the patient with fear in his tones. "For goodness sake speak quietly, doctor She's sitting in the next room."

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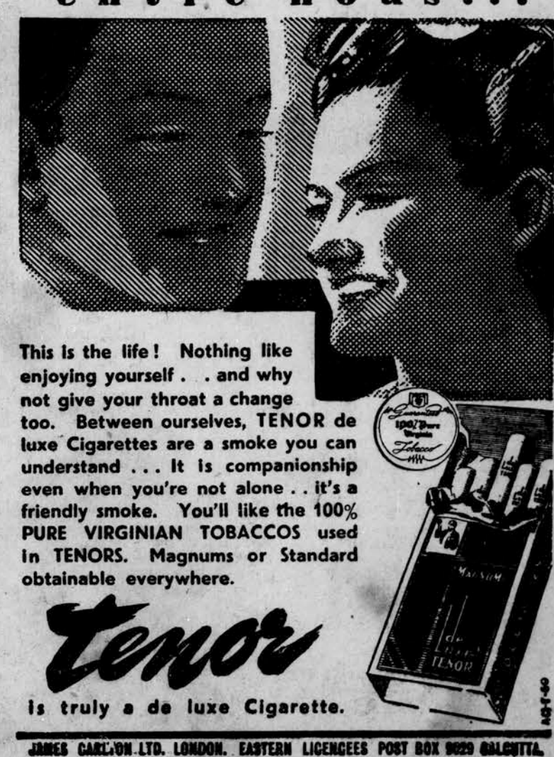

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Hapur Futures Markets Remain Closed

(From Our Correspondent)

HAPUR, May 4.

Futures market still remains closed up. Government have prohibited forward business in Peas, and Arhar past transactions not yet settled. Ready grain markets are very steady on active demand, mostly Government account, and moderate arrivals. Wheat 11/6, Gram 10, Barley 7/4, Peas 9/2, Arhar 8, Rapeseed 12/5. Cotton futures closed. Wheat arrivals 1,500 mds.

RAW COTTON SITUATION

Bombay, May 6.

Messrs. P. Chrystal and Co. have issued the following weekly report:—

The high light in the news of the Bombay cotton market this last week was the publication last Saturday in the Government Gazette of the order prohibiting trading in Options and also in all forward trading in New Crop cotton. The market was more or less prepared for an order banning trading in New Crop Hedge Contracts but no one was prepared for the revolutionary banning of all forward dealings. Obviously someone in Delhi has blundered and this is only a further proof that officialdom in Delhi does not understand what machinery is necessary for the reasonably smooth marketing of an important commodity crop such as cotton. No one will have serious reasons of complaints about the ban on Options but we do believe that a properly managed Hedge contract system is necessary in the cotton market. Further, we now have a good Hedge contract which is being used as never before as a hedging medium and not as a means of accumulating or getting rid of cotton. We doubt if Government will have the pluck to admit their mistake and allow a resumption of trading in Hedge Contracts, but we believe they must revise this recently issued order and allow trading in forward trading in specific qualities of cotton, otherwise the results both to the farmer and the Millowner are going to be more than serious. This new order means in fact that only spot transactions are permissible. It thus means that merchants will have to bring all their stocks to the centres of consumption before a sale can be completed. If so there will be no more need of the Cotton Movements Panel and we shall be returning to the old bad way of moving cotton all over the country in a needless manner to the detriment of the working of an already overworked railway system. We fully sympathise with the difficulties of Government in raising enough food at the present time for with present prices for cotton there is an undoubted encouragement to grow cotton at the expense of food grains. Means must be found to restrict cotton acreage and Government must realise that under present conditions we cannot have both plenty of food and cheap cotton prices.

In spite of threats of further Government interference prices have remained very steady, the market having been supported by a good demand for actual cotton. The basis for all stapled varieties continues to rule very firm as good quality lots are becoming scarer

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CITY MARKETS

BOMBAY, Thursday.

SHARES: The local Share Bazar opened very steady but there being no follow-up on the buying side, quotations generally sagged on moderate realising. The offerings were well absorbed and the market was steady at the decline.

Tata Steel Def. shares opened at Rs. 1,035 and declined to Rs. 2,015. Ordinary shares opened at Rs. 413 and ruled quiet at Rs. 411, Bombay Dyeings were placed at Rs. 2,167 and Century Mill shares were steady at Rs. 993. Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 983. The market was quietly steady. Later on there was heavy unloading and prices collapsed. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs 2,095 and Century stood at Rs. 950. Market was unsettled on rumours of control.

TEXTILE: Ahmedabad Adv 570/4: Apollo Mills 7/9; Bharat Mills 124; Bom Dyeing 2102/8; Cent India 539; Century 950; Colaba 291; Dawn 1710; E D ord 26/8; E D defd 4-13 1/2; Edward Sassoon 771/4; Elphinstone 139; Finlay 427; Gokak 424; Hindustan 4400; Ind Manfg 4500; Ind Bleaching 276; Khatau 696/4; Kohinoor 952; Lakshmi 1905; Madhowji 39; Minerva 280; Model Nagpur 440; Madhusudan 675; Meyer Sassoon 271/4; Morarji 1140; Mysore 350; New City 536/4; New Great 539; Phoenix 902/8; Podar Mills 412/8; Sassoon Spg 36/4; Sassoon Silk 122; Shri Nivas 511/4; Sholapur 11225; Simplex 351; Svadeshi 552; Swan 402; Tata Mills 105; Vishnu 3105; Western India 4000.

INSURANCE: Bom Life 162/8; Empire Life 725; Oriental 5425; Vulcan 15/12; Indust and Prudent 34; Ind Mercantile 74; Jupiter 24/8; New India 76.

HYDRO AND ELECTRIC: Ahmedabad 195; Ajmere 14/12; And Val ord 1852/8; Bom Suburban 190; Broach 13/6; Bom Tram ord 158; Karachi 266/4; Poona 306; Surat xd 193/12; Surat New Rs 50 pd 70; Tata Hydro ord 195; Tata Power ord 1785.

BANK: Baroda Bank 126/8; Bank of India 169; Central Bank 65/6; Imp P P1762/8; Imp P P 435; Reserve 110; Union 8/5.

MISCELLANEOUS: Alembic Chem 335; Alcock Ashdown 972/8; Asso Cement 237/8; B B Petrol 2 1/2; Belapur 248; Bom Burma Old 320; Bom Burma New 108/12; Bom Steam 592/8; Radio ord 430; Radio defd 442/8; Invest Trust 62; Prem Const 178; Port Canning 98; Scindia 33/12; Shivraipur 69; Tata ord 395/8; Tata defd 1950; Tata Chem 38/10; Tata Oil 99/8; Wimco 377/8; Burma Corp 2/10; B I C ord 6/12; Ind Copper 2-9 1/2; Ind Iron 35/4; Steel Corp 26/8; New Vict ord 11/8.

As a result of day's working net declines were as under:—

Tata Defd lost Rs. 76/4; Ord Rs. 17; Bom Dyeing Rs. 53; Cent India Rs. 18; Century Rs. 40; Colaba Rs. 16; E D Ord Re. 1; Elphinstone Rs. 17; Finlay Rs. 11; Gokak Rs. 8; Kohinoor Rs. 38; New Great Rs. 29; Svadeshi Rs. 18 and Tata Mills Rs. 7.

COTTON: The local market opened very steady to-day with a moderate business. At the opening July was quoted at Rs. 606 and declined to Rs. 601-8 under moderate realising. Later moderate support appeared and prices improved to Rs. 604. Weekly Teji Mandi will be over and open interest will be reduced. Later on there was scattered selling. And July was quoted at Rs. 602. Prices kept on sagging and under rumours of control, July declined to Rs. 594 and steadied at Rs. 595.

Later on there was increased covering and prices emproved to Rs. 599 for July and the market steadied at this level. Towars the close there was scattered liquidation and prices sagged to Rs. 594. At the close May was quoted Rs. 574 and July Rs. 593-8.

SEEDS: The local seeds market was firm to-day and prices reached new high levels. Groundnuts August, opened at Rs. 121 and after advancing to Rs. 121-8 reacted to Rs. 121-4. Castorseeds September was quoted at Rs. 115-8 and Linseed May was done at Rs. 14-13. Tone was very steady.

CLOSING QUOTATION:

Groundnuts May 114/8, 115, 114, 114/12.
Groundnuts August 121, 121/8, 120/4, 120/12.
Castorseeds May 107/8, 108, 107.
Castorseeds September 115, 115/8, 114, 114/8.
Linseed May 14 and September Rs. 14-11-3.

BULLION: Cesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0 Dollar Sterling cross rate was 402-1/2 to 403-1/2 at London and 403-3/4 at New York. London spot and forward silver quotations were unchanged at 23-1/2d. and New York spot silver was 44-3/4 cents. The local market was fairly firm and silver after advancing to Rs. 135-4 reacted to Rs. 134-12, gold was steady with a moderate enquiry. Quotations, Ready Gold Rs. 94-4. Vaishakh Rs. 93-12, Sovereigns Rs. 65-10. Ready Silver Rs. 136-4. Vaishakh Rs. 134-12.

Tone steady:

Closing Quotations. Ready Silver Rs. 137, Vaishakh Rs. 134-8, Re: Gold Rs. 94, Vaishakh Rs. 93-10, Sovereigns Rs. 65-8.

NEW YORK COTTON MARKET

Bombay, May 6.

Yesterday, the New York cotton market was very steady on increased buying influenced by substantial new Government textile orders. There was trade price-fixing which met hedge selling and liquidation. It was reported that a permanent ceiling may be abandoned as unnecessary owing to C.C.C. selling programme. The market opened at a rise of 3 points for July at 20.02 and after declining to 20.00 advanced to 20.06. The market closed at a net gain of 9 to 5 points. Spot cotton prices were raised 10 points at 22.06c. per lb.

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NEW YORK COTTON

New York, May 5.

May 20.25+06; July 20.08+09; October 19.95+07; December 19.89+07; January 19.82+05; March 19.85+06; Middling spot 22.08+10.

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, May 5.

May 20.58+10; July 20.37+06; October 20.24+09; Middling spot 20.90+05

LAHORE CENTRAL STOCK EXCHANGE

Lahore, May 5.

Oriental Bank of Commerce Rs. 1/4 premium; Gokalnagar Sugar 12 premium; Ratlam Sugar 13/8 premium; Bharat Investment Trust defd -/6/3. Lesco Chemicals is Rs. 5/8 premium, Jagatjit Sugar 312, New Victoria 12, Agricultural Machinery defd. 3/12.

WOMAN KILLED UNDER B.E.S.T. BUS

One Chandrabai Rama (35) who alighted from a tram-car at the Victoria Gardens on the evening of 3rd instant was proceeding towards Dadar when B.E.S.T. Bus No. B.M.T. 2125 coming from the rear knocked her down.

She met with instantaneous death. Inquest will be held on May 13.

Inter-Science Exam. Results

In the Inter-Science Examination results published in our isssue of May 4, the number 798 has been omitted through oversight from the list of successful candidates in Second Class.

City And Suburbs

TO-DAY

Hindu: Vaishakh Shud 3, 1999
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Sunrise: 7-9 a.m. Sunset: 8-1 p.m.
Hightide: 1-19, 14-11. Lowtide: 7-22, 20-06

DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Study Class on "Reincarnation" from the Ocean of Theosophy by W. Q. Judge, Jehangir Wadia Building, Flora Fountain, to-day at 6-15 p.m.

BOMBAY MARATHI GRANTH SANGRAHALAYA: The opening ceremony of a new branch of the above institution will be held under the presidentship of Dewan Bahadur Narayan Vithal Sayanna, J.P., to-day (Friday) at 6 p.m. in the premises of the branch (Walker Building, Tribhuvan Road, Lamington Road Corner). Dr. M. K. Jayakar, President of the Sangrahalaya, Mahamahopadhyaya P. V. Kane, Prof. Gajendragadkar, Adv. Kawalekar will speak on the occasion.

NATIONAL WAR FRONT: To-day's programme: Quali by Mr. Shaikh Lal (Radio Star) and party 6-30 to 7-30 p.m. Prize distribution by Sir Cowasji Jehangir. Thanks to helpers. Gujarati skit—"Gaadad Goto". 7-45 to 9 p.m.

MUSICAL ART SOCIETY: The adjourned extraordinary general meeting of the members of the Society will be held at the Dongre Building, Lamington Road, 2nd Floor, at 6-15 p.m. to-day.

COMMISSIONER'S ROUND: Municipal Commissioner and the Councillors in No. 3 will meet near the Junction of Mahomedally Road and Masjid Bunder Road to-morrow (Saturday) at 6-21 a.m. (B.T.) (8 a.m. S.T.) to go round the Ward. Residents of the Ward who have grievances to represent should be present at the appointed place and time.

BOMBAY RED CROSS

The Bombay Red Cross Week Committee acknowledges donations received up to 4th May, 1943, including the sums of Rs. 14,879-8-3 through the Hon. Treasurer, Ladies' Committee, B.W.F. Fund; Rs. 7,561-3-6 the staff of the G.I.P. Railway ("excluding a sum of Rs. 2,149-5-0 already contributed by the staff for the Red Cross Flag Day Collection"); and Rs. 1,001 Messrs. Munjee Nathoobhoy and Co. The donations collected by Districts, as under: Rs. 72,376-12-9 Jalgaon (East Khandesh); Rs. 37,000 Kolaba; Rs. 18,000 Nasik; Rs. 5,829-4-3 Satara; Rs. 13,557-1-0 Thana, the grand total now stands at Rs 29,73,532-8-7.

A. I. Progressive Writers' Conference

A general body meeting of members of Bombay Progressive Writers' Association will be held on Tuesday 11th May at 6 p. m. in The Silverfish Club to (1) consider the resolution to be placed before the All-India P. W. Conference on behalf of Bombay P. W Association, (2) elect 30 delegates to the Conference from the members of the Association, and (3) elect a member of the Presidium of the Conference of Gujarati writers.

A meeting of members of the Reception Committee of the 4th All-India Progressive Writers' Conference will be held at the same time to elect its chairman.

A joint meeting of the Executive Committees of All-India Progressive Writers' Conference and Indian People's Theatre Association will be held to-day (Friday) at 6 p. m. in the office of I.P.T.A., C/o. Saco Corporation, People's Building, Pherozeshaw Mehta Road.

All members are requested to come with enrolment books of Reception Committee members and cash collected.

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Dated this 4th May, 1943.

PUBLIC NOTICES

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that GOVINDJI KALLIANJI PAREKH and DAYAKUNVER, wife of the said Govindji Kallianji Parekh, both of Bombay Hindu Inhabitants have agreed to sell the undermentioned property to UMEDBHAI JHAVERBHAI PATEL, who in his turn has agreed to sell the said property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand in to upon or against the said property by way of inheritance, gift, bequest, sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust, possession, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same (if any) known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Yusuf Building Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All those pieces or parcels of Pension and Tax land together with the messuages, tenements or buildings standing thereon, situate at Old Hanuman Street or Lane and Old Hanuman Street, First Cross Lane, without the Fort of Bombay, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 459 square yards or thereabouts according to previous documents but 432.5 Square Yards or thereabouts by actual measurement and bearing Collector's Old Nos. 257-628, New Nos. 1825-2901, Old Survey Nos. 47,1|1188 and New Survey Nos. 1668 and 1668 and bounded as follows:— that is to say, on the East by the property of Sarafally Mamuji, on the West by the property of Haji Mahomed Kassum, on the North by the Old Hanuman Lane and on the South partly by the property of Sarafally Mamuji and partly by Improvement Trust land and the buildings whereon are assessed by the Bombay Municipality under C Ward Nos. 1432-1434, 1434 (1), 1434 (2), 1434 (3) and 1435 and Street Nos. 15, 17, 19, 23 and 25 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 841, Bhuleshwar Division.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1943.
SHAH & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that JIVATLAL PRATAPSHI, NARAYANDAS POKERMAL, WADILAL CHUNILAL and RUTTONJI NUSSERWANJI LAKDAWALLA, the Trustees of a Declaration of Trust, dated the 23rd day of December, 1941, all of Bombay Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand in to upon or against the said property by way of inheritance, gift, bequest, sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust, possession, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same (if any) known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Yusuf Building, Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Fazandari land or ground together with the messuage, tenement or dwelling house standing thereon, situate on the East side of Shaikh Memon Street, in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, admeasuring 130.67 (One hundred and thirty decimal point sixty-seven) square yards or thereabouts (being ninety feet in length and twelve feet in breadth) as per the title deeds but 128 square yards as per Cadastral Survey Register and registered in the books of the Collector of Land Revenue under Old No. 588, New No. 2787, Old Survey No. 3136, New Survey No. 1395, Cadastral Survey No. 1297, of Bhuleshwar Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under Ward C, No. 159, Old Street Nos. 259 and 261, New Street Nos. 199-201 and bounded as follows:—That is to say, on or towards the North by the property formerly of Anant Shivaji Desai and now of Narayan Anant Shivaji Desai, on or towards the South by the house formerly of Javerchand Pratapchand and now belonging to Bai Parson, widow of Dharamchand Javerchand, on or towards the East by the Halalkhore or Sweepers passage and on or towards the West by the said Shaikh Memon Street.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1943.
SHAH & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai VIJYALUXMI HIRALAL of Bombay Hindu Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand in to upon or against the said property by way of inheritance, gift, bequest, sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust, possession, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same (if any) known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Yusuf Building, Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

All that piece or parcel of Leasehold land, containing by admeasurement 296 square yards or thereabouts and registered by the Collector of Land Revenue along with the other part of the said Oart known as Zaoba's Oart or Ranbill Oart under Old No. 1, New No. 1, Old Survey No. 419 and New Survey No. 280 together with the messuge tenement or dwelling house standing thereon assessed by the Municipality of Bombay under C Ward No 4354, Old Street No. 52, New Street No. 14 and bearing Cadastral Survey No. 2236 (Bhuleshwar Division) and all which premises are situate at and on the East side of Girgaum or Breach Candy Road at Bombay in the Registration Sub-district of Bombay and are bounded, on or towards the East by the house of Bhawoo Kashinath Chhippi, on or towards the West by the property of Essabhai Moola Abdealli, on or towards the North by the Oart of the late Mr. Varjiwandas Madhavdas and on or towards the South by the passage of the said Oart called Zaoba's Wadi or Ranbill Oart leading thereto from the Girgaum or Breach Candy Road.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1943.
SHAH & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai JAIJEE RUSTOMJEE WADIA, of Bombay Parsi Inhabitant has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

All persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Tamarind House, at 36, Tamarind Lane, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

ALL THAT piece or parcel of land or ground of Pension and Tax tenure being a portion of the Oart, called or known by the name of Modesur situate, lying and being at Hansali Tank in Mahim in the Registration Sub-District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 1734 square yards or thereabouts but according to the Collector's record containing by admeasurement 1973 square yards (be the same more or less) and registered by the Collector of Bombay under Old Nos. 273 and 542, New No. A1 A|3960 and 4423, Old Survey No. 275, New Survey No. 1B|1439 and Cadastral Survey No. 287 of the Mahim Division and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under G Ward No. 4234 (5), 4234 (6), 4242, 4243, 4245, 4246, 4247 and Street Nos. 22A, 22, 603, 604, 606, 607 and 608 Hassalee Tank Road and Lady Jamshedji Road and bounded as follows: that is to say, on or towards the East partly by the property of Jeevaji Jeetaji and partly by the property of Harischandra Anant Dhuru, on or towards the West partly by the property of Jesus Fernandes, partly by the property of Mr. Savant and partly by the property of Mansukhlal Bhagwandas, on or towards the South by the Hansali Tank Street and on or towards the North partly by the property of Mansukhlal Bhagwandas partly by the property of Ramrao Gopinath and others and partly by the property of Bai Gulabbai Ramchandra Dadarkar.

Dated this 7th day of May, 1943.
PATHARE & LILADHAR,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF COUNTRY TEAK JUNGLE WOOD, CHIR SLEEPERS, BETA PACK FIREWOOD, ETC.

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LEGAL NOTICES

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dr. SORAB JAMSHEDJI MEHER-HOMJI, of Bombay Parsi Innabitant has agreed to sell the undermentioned property to JETHALAL S. JHAVERY who in his turn has agreed to sell the said property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand in to upon or against the said property by way of inheritance, gift, bequest, sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust, possession, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same (if any) known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Yusuf Building Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay within fourteen days from the date hereof otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land, admeasuring 623 square yards or thereabouts together with the buildings and structures thereon and known as "RUSTOM HOUSE", situate on and being Plot No. 522A of the Dadar Matunga Estate of the Corporation in the City and Island and Sub-registration District of Bombay and bounded, on the North East by Plot No. 521 of the said Estate, on the South East by 30 ft. road in width, on the South West by plot No. 522B of the said estate and on the North West by plot No. 522 of the said estate and which forms portion of New Survey No. 872 (part) and bears Cadastral Survey No. 4A/10 of Matunga Division and is assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward No. 7034(11A) and Street No. 601 JA.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1943.
SHAH & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dr. SORAB JAMSHEDJI MEHER-HOMJI, MEHERHOM JAMSHEDJI MEHER-HOMJI, HOMI JAMSHEDJI MEHER-HOMJI and KHODADAD JEHANGIR MEHER-HOMJI, all of Bombay Parsi Inhabitants have agreed to sell the undermentioned property to JETHALAL S. JHAVERI, who in his turn has agreed to sell the said property to our client.

All persons having or claiming any estate, right, title, interest, claim or demand in to upon or against the said property by way of inheritance, gift, bequest, sale, exchange, mortgage, charge, lease, lien, trust, possession, maintenance, easement or otherwise, howsoever, are hereby required to make the same (if any) known in writing to the undersigned at their Office at Yusuf Building, Esplanade Road, within the Fort of Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to any such claim or claims and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY

All that piece or parcel of land, admeasuring 623 square yards or thereabouts, situate on and being Plot No. 522B of the Dadar-Matunga Estate of the Corporation in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay and bounded, on the North by Plot No. 522A of the said Estate, on the East by 30 ft. road, on the South by Plot No. 523A of the said Estate, and on the West by Plot No. 522C of the said Estate, which piece of land forms portion of New Survey No. 872 and bears Cadastral Survey No. 4B|10, of Matunga Division, together with the buildings thereon known as "BEHRAM HOUSE" and assessed by the Assessor and Collector of Municipal Rates and Taxes under F Ward Nos. 7034 (11C), 7034 (11CA), Street No. 601 JC and 601 JCA.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1943.
SHAH & CO.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
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Late Mr. Verma

We regret to announce the untimely death of Mr. Jaikrishna Verma, Barat-Low, Dewan of Lunawada, (Gujarat). Mr. Verma who hailed from Broach, was a prominent Gujrati writer, noted journalist, and a social reformer.

Educated at Baroda and Bombay, Mr.

Mr. J. Verma, Dewan of Lunawada, who died at Surat on Thursday.

Verma proceeded to England to study for the bar and returning practised for a number of years on the original side of the Bombay High Court. He was a close student of Constitutional law, and wrote a book on Indian Constitution.

Mr. Verma was the editor of "Hindustan Daily", now defunct, and was in charge of "Gunsundari", a woman's monthly in Gujarati, till 1936, in which year, he proceeded to Lunawada to assume Dewanship of that State.

Mr. Verma, as a Dewan of Lunawada had a successful career which, unfortunately, has been cut short by death at the age of 49.

ENGLISH PICTURES IN CITY

"The Young Mr. Pitt" at Eros and "The Gold Rush" at New Empire are being run for the second and third week respectively.

"Wings for The Eagle" is the new Warner Brothers' topical film that will be screened at Metro from to-day. Ann Sheridan and Dennis Morgan have been starred in it.

Strand Cinema will show "Jackass Mail" starring Wallace Beery with Marjorie Main. It is a Metro picture showing for the first time at Strand.

Regal Cinema showing from to-day a great detective tale of our own times in Kaareen Veine, Basil Rathbone and William Post appear in featured roles. Among the new releases to-day, this is perhaps the most intriguing and entertaining.

Capitol revives "Beyond the Blue Horizon' starring Dorothy Lamour; Palace revives "Belle Starre" starring Gene Tierney and Randolph Scott. Aurora revives "To the Shores of Tripoli" with Randolph Scott, Maureen O'hara and John Payne in featured roles.

At Paradise, from Friday to Monday will be shown "I Married an Angel" and from Tuesday to Friday "Waterloo Bridge."

Excelsior will screen "Take a Letter, Darling" a romance charged with dynamite, starring Rosalind Russel and Fred MacMurray

The Half-Column
By "Dim"

Beverley Nichols attracted an odd assortment of people when he spoke at a meeting of the Progressive group. Among those I saw in the motley crowd were: Sir....., Sir....., Sir....., Sir....., well never mind, you'll think I am biased. I would sum up my reactions in one sentence: It was the most inaudible speech I have evr heard.

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Anyway I like one thing about our Bombay knights. They are modest and they sit modestly in the front row, all together, because they know that the intellectuals always sit at the back.

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A Parsee lady asked me at one stage of the speech: "Who is this man speaking?"

A little taken aback I said: "That is Beverley Nichols."

"Oh!" she went on. "I thought he had just finished."

"Oh, no," I corrected her, "that was Russy Karanjia."

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Forecasts are being widely and wildly made about Linlithgow's successor. The "Daily Herald" mentions the names of Lord Swinton and Sir Roger Lumley. The "News Chronicle" is of the opinion that a Cabinet Minister is likely to take on the delicate job. From our point of view there is no doubt that Sir Roger Lumley would be a popular choice. But one doubts very much whether Sir Roger would come out to administer the present policy of the British Government. Apart from personal reasons, viz., that he has an aged uncle who wants him in England, Sir Roger Lumley would not, to the best of our judgment of him, accept to come out merely to continue the work of Lord Linlithgow and Mr. Amery. So if Sir Roger Lumley were chosen it would imply a change of policy. Likewise the most popular choice from among the Cabinet Ministers would be the present President of the Board of Trade, Mr. R. A. Butler. But there, again, Butler does not want to commit political suicide at so young an age.

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